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Onalaska American Legion

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Children's Christmas Party



Sunday, December 2 from 1 P.M. to 3 P.M.



In our Post main meeting room

Children and grandchildren of our Legion Family are all welcome.

Gifts provided for children, prizes galore, snacks, sweets, kids beverages, and festive fun for one and all.

Hosted through Auxiliary, Legion, and SAL.

Legion Family Christmas Party

Saturday, December 8

Cocktails at 5:00 P.M. (probably earlier for some of us)

Dinner at 6:00 P.M.



Buffet dinner of Chicken Cordon Bleu/Baked Ham and all the trimmings

Invitees include: Post 336 members, Auxiliary, SAL and appropriate spouses/significant other

Come join us for festive, holiday conversation and visiting. No gifts to exchange, will have some giveaways and raffles for holiday gifts.

Just a nice, laid-back enjoyable time.

Sponsored through Auxiliary and Post 336

We hope to see you and share your company.

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Legionnaires, Auxiliary, S.A.L., and Friends

GREETINGS FROM YOUR AMERICAN LEGION POST 336 COMMANDER!

Here we are with the festive month of December already upon us.

At our American Legion Post, we have many, many activities this month. Our calendar shows a busy and festive month ahead. Please join us for our annual adult Legion Family Christmas Party scheduled for December 8. We are looking forward to welcoming and enjoying the company of our fellow members and spouse/significant others. Please sign up in advance of December 4th at our bar. Sunday, December 2, our Legion and Auxiliary are hosting our annual Children Christmas Party. Hope we have a large crowd.

On the business-side, we are now finally converted to our new accounting program and are very pleased with our new accounting firm. As a Post, we are constantly looking at dollar savings and future development. Please give your input and ideas to our elected officers or one of the committee members representing you. Thanks to all of us (Legion members, Auxiliary, and SAL) we are one of the most viable and vibrant Legion Posts anywhere. And remember we care for each other and want the best for each of us.

Please note all the other wonderful participation in our newsletter in keeping us informed about our American Legion Post 336. As always, if we may be of service to each other, simply ask.

Best of Days! to us all.

See you at our Post 336. , Ralph Amundsen

Service Officers Report

~ LAST BUGLE ~

DARWIN D. HOCKING

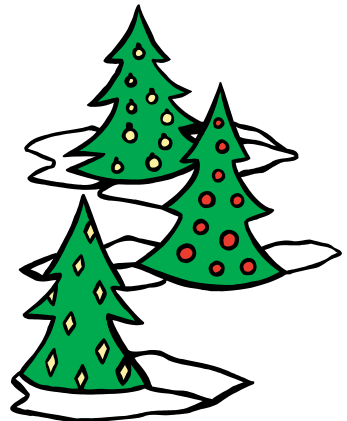
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JAMES DAVIS
Honorable Veteran

~ SICK CALL ~

TIM HUNT and VERN REEKERS

Vern Reekers, Service Officer



Legion Baseball Collecting Cans

The Baseball Committee of our Legion Post 336 has a site in the parking lot to collect aluminum cans to raise money for our Legion Baseball. All are encouraged to donate their aluminum cans to this most worthy cause!

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THE ONALASKA LEGION MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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AUXILIARY NEWS

Auxiliary:

President: **Sue Kelley**
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 Treasurer: **Colleen Kujak**
 Historian: **Diane Culbert**
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Mary Powers and
La Vonne Rivers
 Chaplain: **Maureen Smith**
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Delores Kenyon
 Sunshine Chairwoman:
Liz Reekers
 Jr. Past President: **Diane Ryan**

Hello Ladies,

The cooler weather and the holidays are upon us. A busy time for all with baking, decorating and spending time with friends and family. I have to make a large notice to everyone in regards to Auxiliary membership dues for 2013.

THE DUES FOR THE LADIES ARE \$20.00 NOT \$23.00

Please when paying your dues, only send in \$20.00. We will not be refunding any money after January 1, 2013.

I want to thank the people who helped with the Legion Community Days we held in August. For our efforts, we were given a portion of the proceeds from the LCD committee. It is a worthwhile project for our Post and community.

We will again be having our holiday trees in the legion clubrooms. We have a special tree that we decorate in honor of our veterans. If you have a veteran past or present that you want to donate an ornament for, please drop off at the Legion Post in my name and we will hang on the tree for you.

Upcoming events for our Legion Family:

The Children's Christmas Party will be Sunday, December 2, 2012 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. Crafts, fun and who knows, Maybe Santa will be there!!!

The Legion Family Christmas Party will be Saturday, December 8, 2012. There will be a sign up sheet behind the bar. There is no cost to attend but please if you can, bring a non perishable item to be donated to the Food Pantry.

Our Ladies Auxiliary Christmas Party will be Wednesday, December 12, 2012. There is a signup sheet behind the bar. The cost is \$8.00 and must be paid at time of sign up, and will be prepared by our own Liz Staff and Ray Kline. Cocktail hour will be 6:00 p.m. and dinner at 7:00 p.m. There will be a \$10.00 gift exchange for those who want to participate. We will also be collecting non perishable items for the food pantry. Door prizes, games and fun for all!!!

I wish everyone a safe and happy holiday season. Please keep in your prayers our service men and women who are not with us to share the holidays. Keep them safe and bring them back home.

*See you at the Post,
Sue Kelley, Auxiliary President*



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1st Vice: **Bill Sterling**
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3rd Vice: **Bob Webber**
Finance Officer: **Todd (Doc) Hagel**
Adjutant: **Ray Kline**
Sgt. at Arms: **Chris Carlson,**
Dick Polodna
Chaplain: **Matt Wobeck**
SAL Advisor: **Clarence Stellner**

SAL NEWS and VIEWS

We are coming into the x-mas holiday and another new year. Where does the time go? Hope everyone had a wonderful and safe Thanksgiving and deer season. I guess its time to start looking over the shopping list. Our breakfast this month again will only be one because of the holiday's. It is on December 9th. Again I don't think we can say this enough but we want to thank all of our volunteers, whether it be for the breakfast buffet, fish fry, chicken and dumplings or whatever else that comes up, without you, none of this would be possible and is deeply appreciated by all ! THANK YOU, and feel proud for all you do.

SAL Commander Todd "Doc" Hagel

Membership

As of November 11th, our annual "Early Bird" program is over. Thank you to all the early bird members. We are currently at some 81% of our annual membership goal. So, keep the membership coming in strong.

If you have paid your dues, have your card, and still get another statement from National about your dues, just trash the statement. These statements are automatically sent out and sometimes there seems to be no reason to be sent out. Many times, the National seems to be about two month or more behind.

Thank you to all of our members who recruit new and transferred in members.

See you at the club.

Bob Weber, 1st Vice-Commander

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FROM THE EDITOR

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By opting out of receiving the print edition of the newsletter, you can save the Post money and get the information sooner! The online edition of the Legion Newsletter is usually available 2-3 days before the newsletter hits your mailbox. Provide us with your e-mail address and we will notify you each month when the latest edition is available on our site.

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Please Note: If there is an Auxiliary or SAL member in your household, they must also opt out of the print version or it will continue to be mailed to your home. Return this filled out form to Onalaska American Legion Post 336, 731 Sand Lake Road, Onalaska WI 54650.

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Food - Fun - Friends

Veterans and the Public Welcome
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Food Events & Entertainment on Selected Evenings

Bar opens 11 a.m. daily

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Bar News

Christmas is fast approaching. I don't have many dates available for holiday parties and the dates I do have are booking up quickly. Anyone interested in a party should contact me as soon as possible.

So that employees are able to enjoy time with their families, the club will be closing at 3:00pm on Christmas Eve and will be closed on Christmas Day. Feel free to stop in on Christmas Eve and enjoy a delicious Tom & Jerry for \$2.00.

Join us for our annual New Year's Eve Party from 8pm-1am in the dining hall. Double Take Band will be our entertainment for the evening. There is no cover charge. This includes party favors, champagne at midnight and snacks. As always this event is open to the public. No reservations will be taken. We hope to see you here and don't forget your dancing shoes.

Merry
Christmas



Stop in on New Year's Day for our Guest Bartenders from 10am-4pm. A bloody mary bar will be set-up for your enjoyment. All beers are \$1.00, mixed drinks \$2.00 and bloody mary's \$3.00. It's always a fun entertaining day with some of your favorite members at your service. This event is open to the public.

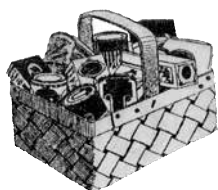
Hope everyone has a beautiful, safe holiday with your loved ones.

Steph =)

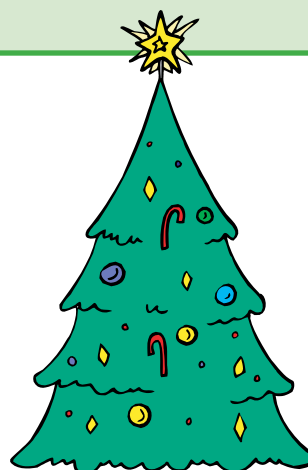
The Food Basket is serving an increasing number of people and requests donations of food and money.

Donated items can be brought to:
735 Sand Lake Rd. – Mon.-Sat., 9-11am

Checks may be sent to:
Onalaska-Holmen Food Basket
P.O. Box 311, Onalaska, WI 54650



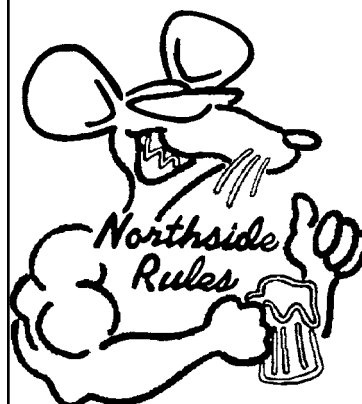
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Notes from the Newsletter Editor



Pictures: If any of you have pictures of any Post activity that you would like published in the newsletter and/or archived in the Post History File, please let one of the officers of the club know or drop them in the Newsletter Mail Slot at the Post. Include your name and we will make sure you get them back. We will also accept digital file photos. You may email them to the editor along with a description of the photo contents. They say pictures are worth a thousand words!



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	Merry Christmas					1
2 Kids Christmas Party 1-3 pm	3 Girl Scouts Meeting 5:30 pm Hall	4 Wings and Shrimp 4:30-7:00 pm Insurance Center Christmas Party 5:00 pm - Hall	5 Chicken & Dumplings 4:30-7pm	6 Taco Thursday 11am-2pm Burger Nite 4:30-8:00pm Texas Hold'em 6-10pm	7 Lisa Urban 7:30-11:30pm	8 Legion Christmas Party Not Open to the Public
9 SAL Breakfast 8am-12Noon Baseball Meeting 2:00 pm Hall	10 Executive Committee 6:00 pm Membership Meeting 7:00 pm	11 NARVE Christmas Party 5:00 pm Wings and Shrimp 4:30-7:00 pm	12 Auxiliary Meeting 7pm	13 Taco Thursday 11am-2pm Burger Nite 4:30-8:00pm Texas Hold'em 6-10pm	14 Fish Fry - 4:30-7pm Memory Brothers 7:30-11:30pm	15 Santas List Onalaska Fire Department
16	17 BLET - 9:30am	18 Wings and Shrimp 4:30-7:00 pm	19 Iron Workers Meeting 4pm	20 Taco Thursday 11am-2pm Burger Nite 4:30-8:00pm Texas Hold'em 6-10pm	21 Stoney Ridge 7:30-11:30pm	22 Kellicut Wedding
23	24 Christmas Eve Club Closes at 3:00 pm	25 Merry Christmas  Club Closed	26	27 Taco Thursday 11am-2pm Burger Nite 4:30-8:00pm	28 Rose Sobotta 7:30-11:30pm	29 Harrold 50th Wedding Anniversary - Hall
30	31 New Year's Eve Party Double Take 8:00 pm - 1:00 am	Happy New Year				

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Texas Hold'Em

The first thing is A GREAT BIG THANKS TO ALL THE GREAT PEOPLE WHO HELPED THE PIT BOSSES MAKE THE POULTRY NIGHT A BIG SUCCESS!! Without you ... it could not have been done. The changes made to our program worked out well and the people loved it. Any one with new recogmendations to make it better please contact me.

Our Texas Hold 'Em players are having fun and making great friends.

Till next year, have a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.
Watch the newsletter for all the events going on in December.



*Thanks Again,
Bill, Bob, Chris and The Pit Bull*

